

OLD POINT COMFORT.

CARLES AND LIGHTSHIPS, SAFE-GUARDS OF NAVIGATION.

Assigned to the White Squadron--Distinguished Visitors at the Point--Military, Naval, and Social Notes.

(Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.)

OLD POINT COMFORT, Va., June 13.—Lieutenant R. M. Purcell, Fourth Infantry, now on duty at the signal service at Norfolk, arrived here last Thursday with a vessel containing over a mile of telegraph cable, which he proceeded to store here for future use along the coast. He has just completed repairs to the cable along Oregon beach, which was broken during one of the heavy storms last March, and like the cable that he has brought, the cable that he will be available at any time for the repair of the line between Cape Charles and Cape Henry or any other point on the coast.

The ship "Highship for Rouse's Bluff," which was towed around from Boston the day before yesterday, will be here for a few days. She will be replaced by the Cape Charles, which is in need of painting and repairs. When these are completed she will be sent to her proper station.

NAVAL NOTES OF INTEREST.

The training ship Portsmouth, Commodore George, which has been in the harbor for the last two weeks, will be sent to Newport, R. I., where she will be used for the training of the regular navy.

Dr. Gilmer, W. Evans, C. T. Carter, and J. H. Hale Sypher arrived here on their way to the Norfolk, where they have been assigned to duty.

Dr. Hamilton P. Howard has decided to locate at Big Stone Gap. He will be one of the professors in the Summer Medical school at that place.

Professor Francis Smith's family will visit the city immediately after the final.

Dr. William C. Dabney and his family will leave for the White Sulphur, where he will be one of the professors in the Summer Medical school at that place.

Dr. J. E. Chancellors leaves here on Monday for the Rockbridge Academy to take care of the sick ones at that place.

Professor Holmes will spend the summer at his home, "Tanglewood," in Tazewell county.

Professor Milton Humphreys will move to his home at Alderson, W. Va., and fish in the waters of the Greenbrier river.

A NATIONAL FAME.

That the University baseball team's fame is not a local one is evidenced by the fact that the University Association is now trying to secure its pitcher, Murry McGuire, to twist the sphere for them during the baseball season. A similar offer has come to him from the Louisville team. Mr. McGuire has declined their offer. Mr. McGuire, who plays third base for this team, has been sought after by some of the professional teams in the past few weeks.

IRON ROSE IN ALBEMARLE.

Professor Garnett's Appointment—The Virginia Direct-Land Tax.

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CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va., June 13.—The very extensive vein of iron ore which was discovered a good while ago in the vicinity of North Garden, in this county, and abandoned, has been recently opened up again and worked to great advantage. The ore is said to be of superior quality and especially convenient for shipping, the mine being within two or three hundred yards of the place at which the ore is loaded.

Professor J. M. Garnett, of the University of Virginia, who is well versed on the subject of iron ore, has been appointed by the Virginia Direct-Land Tax Commission, to be in charge of the iron ore in this county.

Rev. Dr. George L. Pettie, of the Presbyterian church of this place, will deliver the anniversary address before the Young Men's Christian Association on Sunday, Sunday, June 15, at 10 o'clock, at the church of Christ church, will occupy Dr. Pettie's pulpit at the morning service Sunday.

The Young Men's Christian Association of the Baptist church will hold a lawn party on the beautiful grounds of the City Hall on Thursday evening next, the proceeds to aid in the erection of the new mission chapel in the suburbs.

THE DIRECT-LAND TAX.

Hon. John B. Moore is in Washington, where he is engaged in having copies made of the records of the direct-land tax, which is to be returned to the State.

The receipts to the Piedmont Hospital fund for the month of May amounted to \$146.

PROBABLE MILLIONAIRE.

Rev. A. W. Edwards, of this city, is said to be a descendant and heir of Robert Edwards, of New York, whose estate is valued at many millions of dollars.

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